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SUBJECT: LAO PAPER CRITICIZES US VETO OF SRV ENTRY INTO UN

1. LAO PARTY VERNACULAR PAPER "VOICE OF THE PEOPLE" NOVEMBER
20 CARRIED COLUMN ATTACKING US VETO OF SRV ENTRY INTO UN.
FOLLOWING IS EMBOFF TRANSLATION OF SIGNIFICANT EXCERPTS FROM
COLUMN HEADLINED "AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS STILL SHOW THEMSELVES
AS ENEMY OF VIETNAMESE PEOPLE AND ARE SHARPLY ISOLATED ON
INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL SCENE".

US VETO "...NOT ONLY SHOWS THAT THOSE IN POWER IN WASHINGTON ARE
ENEMIES OF VIETNAMESE PEOPLE AND HAVE NOT GIVEN UP THEIR
AGGRESSIVE POLICY AGAINST VIETNAM AND ALL THE COUNTRIES IN
SOUTHEAST ASIA AND THE WORLD AND SHOW THEMSELVES AS THE MILITARY
POLICE OF THE WORLD. THE ACTION OF THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS
THIS TIME IS CONTRARY TO THE STRONG WISHES OF THE PEOPLE OF
AMERICA AND ALL THE COUNTRIES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND TOUCHES
ON INTERNATIONAL LAW. MOREOVER, THEY STIR UP TROUBLE IN
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INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL LIFE."

3. "...THIS ACT OF THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS...HAS BEEN VERY STRONGLY CRITICIZED BY ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE UN..."

4. "...THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO REASON FOR THEM TO REFER TO THE PROBLEM OF THE AMERICAN SOLDIERS WHO ARE MISSING IN VIETNAM. IN FACT, IT WAS THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS WHO STARTED THE WAR OF AGGRESSION IN VIETNAM IN WHICH THE AMERICAN SOLDIERS WERE MISSING. IT IS A DIFFICULT PROBLEM TO LOOK FOR ALL THE TRACES BECAUSE VIETNAM HAS A COASTLINE OF OVER 3,000 KILOMETERS AND IS LONGER THAN 2,000 KILOMETERS, AND TWO THIRDS OF THE WHOLE COUNTRY IS COVERED WITH HEAVY FORESTS. THERE ARE BODIES OF AMERICAN PILOTS AND SOLDIERS ANYWHERE. MOREOVER, THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT MANY TIMES SENT THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT LISTS AND BODIES OF AMERICAN SOLDIERS WHOM THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE HAD FOUND. THE SRV FOREIGN MINISTRY ANNOUNCED THAT THE PROBLEM OF THE LIST OF NAMES OF THE AMERICAN SOLDIERS WHO WERE MISSING IN THE VIETNAM WAR WAS STILL UNDER STUDY BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO COUNTRIES BUT THAT THIS CAME UNDER THE PARIS AGREEMENT WHICH STATED THAT AMERICA HAD TO HELP HEAL THE WOUNDS OF WAR IN VIETNAM. BUT IN THE DISCUSSIONS, AMERICA DEMANDED ONLY THE LIST OF NAMES OF THE AMERICAN SOLDIERS WHO WERE MISSING AND DID NOT CONSIDER THE PROBLEM OF HELPING TO HEAL THE WOUNDS OF WAR. THIS MEANS THAT THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT VIOLATES THE PARIS AGREEMENT ONE HUNDRED PERCENT."

5. "...REPRESENTATIVES OF MANY COUNTRIES IN THE UNGA SPOKE CRITICALLY OF THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS AND CONSIDERED THAT THIS AMERICAN ACTION STIRRED UP TROUBLE IN INTERNATIONAL POLITICAL LIFE AND DIVIDED THE UNITY AMONG NATIONS. THE LAO PEOPLE STRONGLY CRITICIZE THIS STUBBORN ACTION OF THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS. OUR PEOPLE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT THIS ACTION OF THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS WILL BE UNABLE TO BLOCK THE FORCE OF THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE..."
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